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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION

Oliver Hydro LLC
FFP Project 97 LLC

Project Nos. 13005-002
14278-000

NOTICE OF COMPETING PRELIMINARY PERMIT APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED
FOR FILING AND SOLICITING COMMENTS, MOTIONS TO INTERVENE, AND
COMPETING APPLICATIONS

On September 1, 2011, Oliver Hydro LLC (Oliver Hydro), and FFP Project 97 LLC (FFP 97) filed preliminary permit applications, pursuant to section 4(f) of the Federal Power Act, proposing to study the feasibility of a hydropower project at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' (Corps) William Bacon Oliver Lock & Dam, located on the Black Warrior River in Tuscaloosa County, Alabama. The sole purpose of a preliminary permit, if issued, is to grant the permit holder priority to file a license application during the permit term. A preliminary permit does not authorize the permit holder to perform any land-disturbing activities or otherwise enter upon lands or waters owned by others without the owners' express permission.

Oliver Hydro's Project No. 13005-002 would consist of: (1) a forebay; (2) an intake structure; (3) a powerhouse containing two generating units with a total capacity of 11.72 megawatts (MW); (4) a 195-foot-long, 72-foot-wide tailrace; and (5) a proposed 1.6-mile-long, 25 kilo-volt (kV) transmission line to an existing transmission facility. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 47.8 GWh, and operate run-of-river utilizing surplus water from the William Bacon Oliver Lock & Dam, as directed by the Corps.

Applicant Contact: Mr. Brent L. Smith, Symbiotics LLC, 371 Upper Terrace, Suite 2, Bend, OR 97702. (541) 330-8779.

FFP 97's Project No. 14278-000 would consist of: (1) an 320-foot-long, 120-foot-wide approach channel; (2) a powerhouse, located on the south side of the dam, containing four generating units with a total capacity of 16.4 MW; (3) a 320-foot-long, 140-foot-wide tailrace; (4) a 4.16/115 KV substation; and (5) a 1.0-mile-long, 115 kV transmission line. The proposed project would have an average annual generation of 65.8.0 GWh, and operate run-of-river utilizing surplus water from the William Bacon Oliver Lock & Dam, as directed by the Corps.

Applicant Contact: Ms. Ramya Swaminathan, Free Flow Power Corp., 239 Causeway Street, Suite 300, Boston, MA 02114. (978) 283-2822.

FERC Contact: Michael Spencer, michael.spencer@ferc.gov, (202) 502-6093.

Deadline for filing comments, motions to intervene, competing applications (without notices of intent), or notices of intent to file competing applications: 60 days from the issuance of this notice. Competing applications and notices of intent must meet the requirements of 18 CFR 4.36. Comments, motions to intervene, notices of intent, and competing applications may be filed electronically via the Internet. See 18 C.F.R. 385.2001(a)(1)(iii) and the instructions on the Commission's website <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/efiling.asp>. Commenters can submit brief comments up to 6,000 characters, without prior registration, using the eComment system at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/ecomment.asp>. You must include your name and contact information at the end of your comments. For assistance, please contact FERC Online Support. Although the Commission strongly encourages electronic filing, documents may also be paper-filed. To paper-file, mail an original and seven copies to: Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, 888 First Street, NE, Washington, DC 20426.

More information about this project, including a copy of the application, can be viewed or printed on the "eLibrary" link of the Commission's website at <http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/elibrary.asp>. Enter the docket number (P-13005-002, or P-14278-000) in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: November 22, 2011

Kimberly D. Bose,
Secretary.